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As will be Demonstrated here next week During the Short Course in Agriculture.

Mr. Garrett's Narrow Escape.

WINCHESTER, Ky., December 26.—A thrilling escape from death was experienced in this city by Congressman Finis J. Garrett of the Ninth Tennessee district. Congressman Garrett was en route from Washington to his home in Dresden, Tenn., and was a passenger on C. & O. train No. 2, due at 4:15 o'clock, which was running about one hour late. He got off the train in this city to send some telegrams. When he came out of station the train had started. Mr. Garrett ran a considerable distance and was able to catch to the railing of the rear coach, which was vestibuled, by one hand. He was dragged past Main street. At this point the train had gained full speed. Half a dozen ineffectual attempts by Mr. Garrett, were made to get a better hold on the railing, while frenzied bystanders yelled to him to jump. Several times his body was almost within the path of the menacing wheels as he attempted to push himself away from the flying train. After the train had passed the flag station, beyond Main street, Mr. Garrett released his hold and rolled over an embankment unhurt.

At the Brown Proctoria hotel Mr. Garrett presented a woeful spectacle, as plastered with mud, but smiling, he secured a room for the night. "I feel sure," he said, commenting upon his thrilling experience, "that it was the hand of Providence which kept me from being crushed to death tonight."

He said he heard distinctly the yells and pleas of the people for him to jump, but he knew it would mean death, and held vigorously on the railing until he came to a soft landing place. Witnesses attribute Mr. Garrett's escape to his presence of mind.

The above is taken from the daily press of the 26th inst. Mr. Garrett reached home Thursday night looking none the worse for his harrowing experience, not even showing the signs of a scratch.

Habitual constipation and all liver troubles can be cured by using Grigby's Liver-lax. Ask W. R. Bobbitt.

M. H. Levy Sued.

D. W. McCaleb, through his attorney, State Senator Robt. A. Elkins, has brought suit against Mr. M. H. Levy, alleging usury and the collection of an attorney's fee. McCaleb had his farm, near Gleason, mortgaged to Levy, the latter carrying the trust for several years, and finally closed it out. He charged, McCaleb, it is alleged in the bill, 10 per cent. interest, which is more than the lawful rate of interest, though no more than hundreds of thousands of money lenders receive in Weakley county every day. This 6 per cent. interest law is looked upon by money lenders in about the same light as state-wide prohibition law is considered by the liquor dealers of this state—an interference with "personal liberties."

A stipulation of the mortgage, as is the custom, carried with it the payment of attorney's fees in case of foreclosure, and McCaleb is also suing to collect this back from Levy.

McCaleb was indicted at the last term of court on a charge of arson, it being charged that he burned his home near Gleason. He is out on bond and this case against him was continued until the April term of circuit court.

Jones & Suddath represent Levy in the damage suit.

School to Re-Open.

The Dresden school will open Monday, Jan. 5, for the second term. We trust that every student will be at his desk with a determination to do much more work this term than in the first. We also insist that each parent co-operate with us in seeing that every child is in school each day with a well prepared lesson, as we hope to make this the best term in the history of the school.

F. Y. FUQUA, Prin.

DAN CUPID WORKS OVERTIME

Hymen's Altar a Most Popular Resort During the Holiday Season.

MANY NUPTIAL KNOTS TIED.

Let me not to the marriage of true minds
Admit impediments: love is not love
Which alters when it alteration finds.
—Shakespeare.

Ever since the institution of the Christmas holiday season it has also been celebrated as a nuptial season—the ending of seasons of long courtship and the beginning of a new life for many a lad and many a lassie. To them the approach of the Christmas holiday period is looked forward to with the same degree of expectancy, as anxiously awaited and as heartily hailed and welcomed as by the small boy looking forward to the full stocking.

The Christmas just closing has been no exception in this particular in Weakley county, whose noble sons and daughters branch out for themselves and build homes and replenish the earth according to the injunction of Holy Writ.

MOORE-OLIVER.

One of the prettiest holiday weddings was that of Thursday, Dec. 26, when Mr. L. P. Moore, of Dresden, and Miss Maggie Oliver were happily joined in holy wedlock at the home of the bride's father, Mr. T. J. Oliver, in the Sixth district, Rev. Reece Hart saying a most impressive ceremony in the presence of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The Oliver home, one of the old southern homes of the county, known for and wide for its generous hospitality and piety, was tastefully decorated for the occasion. Mr. Moore is the popular deputy trustee of this county. He is a genteel young man of pleasing address and courteous manners, and is held in the every highest esteem by our people. His beautiful bride comes from one of the first families of the county. Her illustrious, noble father, Mr. Tom Oliver, was for a long time a member of the county court, and as such was as highly esteemed and honored as he is as a private citizen. She is a young lady of many personal graces and charms, and exceedingly popular in her home community. Their legion of friends extend sincere congratulations and best wishes for a happy, prosperous journey on the sea of matrimony.

BRASFIELD-MCMULLINS.

The marriage of this exceedingly popular Greenfield couple at Martin on last Friday night, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Estes, was somewhat a surprise, though not altogether so, as the event had long been expected, but friends of the contracting parties had given out no definite information as to the approaching nuptials. The groom is Greenfield's popular mayor and a universally admired citizen. He is a model, high-toned christian gentleman. Roger Brasfield is well worthy the fair lady, Mrs. McMullins, who he has won. She has been a citizen of Greenfield some time, coming from Ohio, and has made a host of true friends there. May joy and happiness and prosperity be theirs forever, is the wish of many friends.

WINSTEAD-MAUBRAY.

Mr. Lawrence Winstead and Miss Frances Maubray, popular and deserving young people residing several miles north of Dresden, were married on last Sunday at the home of Elder J. L. Thomas, who officiated in the presence of a number of friends.

MATHENY DIVORCE CASE ENDS

Mrs. Matheny Was Granted Divorce and Alimony-Array of Witnesses.

FIRST JURY DIVORCE CASE.

The first jury to try a divorce case in this county, so far as the records show, was that of Mrs. Lou Matheny versus Joe Matheny, a wealthy and influential citizen of the First district. This case was taken up in the circuit court Monday, Dec. 22, and closed on Tuesday of this week, being on trial seven days, but in court nine days, including Christmas day and Sunday.

The following jury was empaneled to determine the innocence or guilt of the defendant, Joe Matheny on a number of counts, and not to grant a divorce and alimony, as many think: M. D. Morris, M. C. Brooks, G. W. Smith, Arthur Insko, Joe Outen, J. D. Stauleup, W. W. Yarbrough, J. W. Dolen, Bonnie Boden, Dock Insko, C. B. Higgs and W. A. Warren.

In all thirty-three witnesses were examined. Argument was begun Saturday and concluded on Monday afternoon. Much is said in praise of the very able, logical, convincing address made by Hon. L. C. Hannings in presenting the side of his client, Joe Matheny, to the jury. It was a masterly effort and so recognized by members of the bar.

Judge Jones delivered his charge to the jury Monday afternoon, giving peremptory instructions as to count No. 4, which alleges cruel and inhuman treatment, instructing the jury to report yes on this count, but left the others to the jury to determine from the evidence, but the jury at first disregarded the court's instructions as to this count and reported not guilty, whereupon his honor informed the jury it was not for them to say as to this and instructed them to bring in a verdict in accord with the instructions of the court, which was done.

Later some four or five jurors filed affidavits setting out that they could not agree that the defendant had been proven guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment; that they only so agreed upon the instruction of the court, etc. The court struck out the said affidavits as incompetent and improper to be filed of record.

Motion for a new trial by counsel for Matheny was promptly overruled, and then an absolute divorce was granted the petitioner. The court restored to Mrs. Matheny a 100-acre tract of land and valuable improvements thereon, gave her all the household and kitchen furniture, which Mr. Matheny very gallantly said she should have, and during this part of the procedure a very pathetic scene was enacted between the litigants. It was while these articles were being parceled out between them, both breaking down and giving vent to their emotions. Mrs. Matheny was given her buggy, one mare, which he told her to take, a cow and calf and a \$1,000 judgment for alimony, besides \$350 as counsels' fees. The defendant is to pay all of the costs, amounting to probably \$700.

Defendant gets a 25-acre farm in one tract and a forty-five acre tract in another tract, together with a considerable amount of personal property. The defendant owes \$2,080.00, which was

PRUNING GRAPE VINES



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Bankers' Luncheon.

It was our good fortune to share the hospitality on Tuesday afternoon of the directors and stockholders of the Weakley County Bank at a luncheon given at the Jones hotel, following the annual meeting of the stockholders at the bank, and the election of officers and a board of directors. Mr. T. I. Little was re-elected president for the tenth consecutive time, J. R. Thomason was elected vice-president and is to be active president; W. T. Killebrew cashier, and Dolph Bruce, assistant cashier. The board of directors elected are: F. P. Hall, W. D. Brasfield, Dr. J. E. Shannon, G. W. Jeter, W. T. Killebrew, J. R. Thomason, T. I. Little, T. M. Little and H. E. Jones.

Those who sat at the festive board and enjoyed the excellent dinner prepared by Mrs. Jones were Dr. J. E. Shannon, W. T. Killebrew, Dolph Bruce, J. R. Thomason, Geo. W. Jeter, T. M. Little, Finis J. Garrett, Alfred Thomason and W. D. Brasfield, stockholders of the bank, with Rev. W. D. Pickens and Joe L. Holbrook, who were added to lend piety and good looks to the occasion. The repast was unanimously voted a superb one and Mrs. Jones received many compliments.

No banking institution in the county has made more rapid strides in recent years than this one, and its popularity is daily increasing, which means that the public has confidence in the ability and integrity of the men behind it.

taken into consideration by the court in granting alimony.

Mr. and Mrs. Matheny were married twenty-five years ago. They have two children—a grown son and a grown daughter. She is the daughter of Mr. King Stephenson. During the trial the son sat near his father, while the daughter's sympathies were with her mother and they occupied adjoining seats.

Thus ends a big law-suit and—a once happy home.

Happily Married.

Miss Lucy Francis Young was united in marriage to Mr. Alphas Jesse Everett at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mr. W. K. Young, in this city Tuesday evening.

The parlor was beautifully decorated with ferns and festooning. Before the ceremony, Mrs. L. E. Holladay sang a solo in her usual sweet voice. The happy couple entered the parlor as the wedding march was played by Miss Maggie Hummel, the bride carrying a bouquet of white roses. Rev. R. B. Freeman performed the ceremony which united them for life.

Miss Fannie was one of Greenfield's most popular and industrious young ladies. She had for some time held a responsible position at the Ward-Kent Co. plant and was a most skillful and valued member of the force.

Mr. Everett holds a responsible position with the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co., traveling part of the time.

They were the recipients of many handsome wedding presents from admiring friends.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Everett left for a wedding trip to Dresden and Memphis.

The Times joins a host of friends in wishing them happiness and long life.

The above is taken from the last issue of the Greenfield Times.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Everett, managers of the New Century hotel in Dresden. He was reared in Dresden, and at one time played the "devil" in the Enterprise office, making an efficient employee. Jesse is an industrious, moral, young man who has a host of friends here, and they all wish for himself and bonny bride a long life of married bliss.

Estray Notice.

One bull yearling about ten months old, dark brindle color, one eye out. Taken up about Oct. 15, by E. C. Mathis, Martin, route 6, on Dresden and Ralston road, three miles west of Dresden.

W. W. FULLER,
Ranger.

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JUDGING CATTLE



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STUDENTS JUDGING SWINE



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